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BIOGRAPHY
Roger Noble
MAJOR GENERAL
Australian Army
Deputy Commanding General - North

Major General Noble enlisted in the Army in 1984 and began military life as a staff cadet at the Royal Military College. In 1986 he graduated in the first class of the Australian Defence Force Academy where he was awarded the Commander-in-Chiefs Medal. He subsequently graduated from the Royal Military College in 1987 and was allocated to the Royal Australian Armoured Corps.

From 1989 to 2004, Major General Noble served in a variety of regimental appointments in cavalry, APC and tank units. He commanded at cavalry troop, squadron and regimental level within the 2nd Cavalry Regiment (ASLAV). Major General Noble also held a variety of non-corps positions. These included appointment as aide-de-camp to the Chief of Army; Staff Officer Grade 2 Operations at Strategic Command and Army Headquarters. In 2002 he was assigned as the Defence Advisor to the Joint Standing Committee Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade at the Australian Federal Parliament. In 2007 he was promoted to Colonel and assigned to Director of Studies - Land at the Australian Command and Staff College in Canberra.

He was promoted Brigadier in 2010 and has completed appointments as Commander 3rd Brigade, Director Special Operations Capability in Special Operations Command and Director General Land Development, Capability Development Group. He was promoted to Major General in November 2016 and is assigned as Deputy Commander US Army Pacific in March 2017.

Major General Noble has completed six operational tours of duty. In 1992 he deployed as a Team Leader in the Chemical Destruction Group operating across Iraq as part of the United Nations Special Commission. From 2001-2002 he was deployed to East Timor as the Operations Officer Sector West. He was also deployed as the first joint operations officer in the Australian National Headquarters supporting the initial Australian operations in Afghanistan. In 2005 he commanded the first Al Muthanna Task Group cavalry battlegroup deployed to southern Iraq. In 2011 he served a year-long deployment as the Deputy Operations and Plans Officer for the International Security Assistance Force, Afghanistan. In 2016 he was deployed with the U.S. Army 101st Airborne Division as Deputy Coalition Land Force Commander, Iraq (DCG CJFLCC-OIR).

Major General Noble holds a first class honors degree in history, a Masters of Business Administration and a Masters of Defence Studies. In 2008 Major General Noble won a General Sir John Monash Award and the DFAT Fulbright Scholarship. He accepted the Monash Award and completed a Masters of International Public Policy (with honors) at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, John Hopkins University, Washington, D.C. He commenced a PhD at ADFA in 2010 on Australian Military Strategy from1901-2006.

Major General Noble was born in Cairns, Queensland and is a keen surfer, rugby player and fisherman. He is married and has two children.